GRAY'S REEF NATIONAL MARINE SANCTUARY

Our regulations have changed to better protect your resources.

Effective February 16, 2007

Quick Reference To Regulation Changes:

Fishing is allowed only by rod and reel, handline or spearfishing gear without powerheads.
 No anchoring except in an emergency.

The following activities are unlawful for any person to conduct or to cause to be conducted within the Sanctuary:

Injuring, catching, harvesting, or collecting, or attempting to injure, catch, harvest, or collect, any marine organism, or any part thereof, living or dead, within the Sanctuary by any means except by use of rod and reel, handline, or spearfishing gear without powerheads; there shall be a rebuttable presumption that any marine organism or part thereof referenced in this paragraph found in the possession of a person within the Sanctuary has been collected from the Sanctuary;

Except for possessing fishing gear stowed and not available for immediate use, possessing or using within the Sanctuary any fishing gear or means except rod and reel, handline, or spearfishing gear without powerheads;

Anchoring any vessel in the Sanctuary, except when responding to an emergency threatening life, property, or the environment or except as it may be permitted by the Director.

For a complete listing of all Sanctuary regulations and the full legal language of the regulations, see the sanctuary

website at http://graysreef.noaa.gov

Coordinates of Gray's Reef

Gray's Reef National Marine Sanctuary consists of 16.68 square nautical miles (NM) of high sea waters off the coast of Georgia. The Sanctuary boundary includes all waters and sea floor within a rectangle described as: Datum: NAD83 Geographic Coordinate System

(1) N 31.362732°: W 80.921200°

(2) N 31.421064°: W 80.921201°

(3) N 31.421064°: W 80.828145°

(4) N 31.362732°: W 80.828145°

(5) N 31.362732°: W 80.921200°





To Report Violations

NOAA Fisheries Enforcement Hotline 1-800-853-1964

Georgia Department of Natural Resources 1-912-264-7237 or 1-800-241-4113

U.S Coast Guard Station Brunswick
Contact the USCG on VHF Channel 16
1-912-267-7999



